

FACT SHEET

Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigation on Imports of Certain Polyester Staple Fiber from the People's Republic of China

On July 14, the Department of Commerce announced its decision to initiate an antidumping duty investigation on imports of Certain Polyester Staple Fiber from the People's Republic of China.

Next Steps: The U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) is scheduled to make its preliminary injury determination on or about August 8. If the ITC determines that there is a reasonable indication that imports from China are injuring or threatening material injury to the domestic industry, the investigation would continue and the Department would be scheduled to make its preliminary antidumping duty determination in August 2006. If the ITC makes a negative preliminary injury determination, the investigation will be terminated.

Petitioners: The petition requesting this investigation was filed by DAK Americas LLC (NC), Nan Ya Plastics Corporation America (SC), and Wellman, Inc. (NJ).

Product Description:

Initiated Dumping Margins:

COUNTRY	MARGIN
China	87.43% to 108.98%

Case Calendar:

EVENT	DATE
Petition Filed	June 23, 2006
DOC Initiation Date	July 13, 2006
ITC Preliminary Determination	August 8, 2006
DOC Preliminary Determination*	November 30, 2006
DOC Final Determination*	February 13, 2007
ITC Final Determination**	March 30, 2007
Issuance of Order***	April 6, 2007

* These deadlines may be extended under the governing statute.

** This will take place only in the event of a final affirmative determination from the Department of Commerce.

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Import Statistics (1000s):

China	2003	2004	2005	2006(Jan-Mar)
Volume (lbs)	74,606	71,280	194,872	60,084
Value (\$US)	\$26,827	\$29,708	\$93,260	\$28,013

Source: U.S. International Trade Commission, Dataweb (HTS 3802.10.00)